# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

### Before the Director of the Department of Insurance and Financial Services

In the matter of:

Note Servicing Center, Inc. NMLS ID 270925	Enforcement Case No. 21-16328
Respondent.	
	Issued and entered

on June <u>16</u>, 2021 by Judith A. Weaver Senior Deputy Director

#### ORDER ACCEPTING STIPULATION AND REQUIRING COMPLIANCE AND PAYMENT OF FINES

Based upon the Stipulation to Entry of Order and the files and records of the Department of Insurance and Financial Services (DIFS), the Senior Deputy Director finds and concludes that:

- 1. The Senior Deputy Director has jurisdiction and authority to adopt and issue this Order Accepting Stipulation and Requiring Compliance and Payment of Fines in this proceeding pursuant to the Michigan Administrative Procedures Act (APA), as amended, MCL 24.201 *et seq.*, and the Mortgage Brokers, Lenders and Servicers Licensing Act (MBLSLA), 1987 PA 173, MCL 445.1651 *et seq.*
- 2. All required notices have been issued in this case and the notices and service thereof were appropriate and lawful in all respects.
- 3. Acceptance of the Stipulation to Entry of Order is reasonable and in the public interest.
- 4. All applicable provisions of the APA have been met.
- 5. Respondent violated Section 2(1) of the MBLSLA, MCL 445.1652(1) by conducting unlicensed mortgage loan servicing business.

Now therefore, based upon the Stipulation to Entry of Order and the facts surrounding this case, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- A. Respondent shall comply with all terms agreed to in the Stipulation to Entry of Order.
- B. Respondent shall file an application for licensure under the MBLSLA within 30 days of the issuance and entry of this Order.
- C. Respondent shall pay to the State of Michigan, through DIFS, administrative and civil fines in the amount of **\$12,000.00**. Respondent shall pay the fines by the due date, as indicated on the DIFS invoice.

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- D. DIFS shall remove the April 22, 2021 Order to Cease and Desist with a Statement of Findings and Notice of Hearing issued against Respondent from DIFS' website upon DIFS' approval of the application for licensure and the payment of the fine, referenced in paragraphs B and C.
- E. The Senior Deputy Director retains jurisdiction over the matters contained herein and has the authority to issue such further order(s) as shall be deemed just, necessary, and appropriate in accordance with the MBLSLA. Failure to abide by the terms and provisions of the Stipulation to Entry of Order and this Order may result in the commencement of additional proceedings.

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Senior Deputy Director

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#### STIPULATION TO ENTRY OF ORDER AND REQUIRING COMPLIANCE AND PAYMENT OF FINES

Note Servicing Center, Inc. (Respondent) hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

- 1. In the exercise of its statutory authority and responsibility, the Department of Insurance and Financial Services (DIFS) conducted an investigation of Respondent pursuant to the Mortgage Brokers, Lenders, and Servicers Licensing Act, 1987 P.A. 173, as amended, MCL 445.1651 *et seq.*, (MBLSLA). The purpose of the investigation was to review records to determine compliance with the requirements of the MBLSLA.
- 2. On or about April 22, 2021, DIFS issued an Order to Cease and Desist with a Statement of Findings and Notice of Hearing to Respondent, pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Administrative Procedures Act (APA), 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 *et seq*.
- 3. The Order to Cease and Desist contained allegations that Respondent violated Section 2(1) of the MBLSLA, MCL 445.1652(1), and set forth applicable laws and penalties.
- 4. Thereafter, DIFS Staff and Respondent conferred for the purpose of resolving this matter and Respondent has determined to resolve this matter pursuant to the terms set forth below.
- 5. At all relevant times, Respondent was not a licensed mortgage loan servicer.
- 6. Respondent violated Section 2(1) of the MBLSLA, MCL 445.1652(1) by conducting unlicensed mortgage loan servicing business.
- 7. Respondent shall file an application for licensure under the MBLSLA within 30 days of the issuance and entry of this Order.
- 8. Respondent agrees that it will pay to the State of Michigan, through DIFS, administrative and civil fines in the amount of **\$12,000.00**. Respondent further agrees to pay the fine by the invoice due date.
- 9. Respondent agrees the April 22, 2021 Order to Cease and Desist with a Statement of Findings and Notice of Hearing will be removed from DIFS' website upon DIFS' approval of the application for licensure and the payment of the fine, referenced in paragraphs 7 and 8.

- 10. Respondent agrees that the procedural requirements of the APA and MBLSLA have been met in all respects by both parties.
- 11. Respondent has had an opportunity to review this Stipulation and the accompanying Order Requiring Compliance and Payment of Civil Fines and have the same reviewed by legal counsel.
- 12. Respondent understands and agrees that this Stipulation will be presented to the Senior Deputy Director for approval. The Senior Deputy Director may, in her sole discretion, decide to accept or reject the Stipulation and Order. If the Senior Deputy Director accepts the Stipulation and Order, Respondent waives the right to a hearing in this matter and consents to the entry of the Order. If the Senior Deputy Director does not accept the Stipulation and Order, Respondent waives any objection to the Director holding a formal administrative hearing and making a decision after such hearing.
- 13. Respondent understands and agrees that the failure to abide by and fully comply with the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Order may, at the discretion of the Senior Deputy Director, result in further administrative compliance actions.
- 14. Respondent understands and agrees that the amount of the civil fine has been negotiated in return for the avoidance of further proceedings and certain promises and conditions, which include the timely payment of the civil fine. Respondent agrees that a failure to timely pay the civil fine is a violation of this Stipulation and Order and will result in DIFS commencing further enforcement proceedings against Respondent.

6/11/2021
Dated

Print Name and Title

Note Servicing Center, Inc.

DIFS Staff approve this Stipulation and recommend that the Senior Deputy Director issue an Order Requiring Compliance and Payment of Fines.

William R. Peattie (P48004)

DIFS Staff Attorney

June 16, 2021

Dated